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FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Division 4

WIGAN
ATHLETIC

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Mac's Chat

Good afternoon — and welcome to the Recreation Ground for this afternoon's game.

There are no great improvements regarding our injury problems. For the clash with Stockport last week we were left with 13 full-time professionals—two of which were goalkeepers!

Last Monday Murray Brodie saw Mr. Williams, a sports injuries specialist, at a Farnham Royal Rehabilitation Centre, near Slough: as a result of this Murray will have manipulation of his back. There is a slight improvement in Dave Tomlin—he is now running during training. Peter Scott, who pulled a hamstring in the last ten minutes at Doncaster, is doing light training. Stuart Robinson, also injured at Doncaster, is doing light training and could be fit for selection. I think we can forget about Micky French for a while—he is at present receiving treatment from our physiotherapist Jim Lange who reckons Mick is a good patient. Colin Garwood is making reasonable progress, but I believe he will be doubtful for selection for today's game.

As I said last week, managers dread injuries, but they are part and parcel of football, and open the door for young players like Paul Hampshire to show their paces in the first team. Paul did not know he was playing until he arrived at the ground: I thought this the best time to tell him even though I knew on Thursday afternoon that he would be in the team—I wanted him to get a good night's sleep so that he would be fresh and fit for the game. I am sure, knowing Paul, that if he had been told on Friday, he would have been playing the game over in his mind all night. It was no surprise to the staff to see how cool the boy was when he slotted his goals home. As somebody remarked, that's the best part of Paul's game—sharp and cool in the box. I tell young players that at all times one has to be ready to seize an opportunity.

It is most rewarding that the efforts of our three or four years' work with youth football is now paying dividends, as last Saturday's side included three players who have come through our youth network—namely Brian Lucas and Mark Sanford (who live locally in Farnborough) and Paul Hampshire (who scored those two splendid goals) who hails from Godalming. In these days of inflated transfer fees, the benefits of bringing on players in this way can only be good for the Club.

I wish Supporters would try to understand a coach's position when helping or dealing with young players. The best time to correct a young player is at the time of the incident—even if this is during a game, so that it is fresh in the player's mind.

Today we welcome Wigan Athletic in what we hope will be an exciting game of football.

God Bless You All.



Mac
Tommy
TOMMY MAC.

With the Reserves

On Tuesday, 13th January, our Reserves travelled to The Valley to play Charlton Athletic in a Midweek League fixture and came away with a point in a creditable 1-1 draw, our goal coming via a brilliant Brian Lucas effort. *Team:* Horn, Brown, Wooler, Bundy, Youlden, Jones, Walker, Fielder, Lucas, Hampshire, McGregor. *Subs:* Jopling and Crosby.

With no Youth games last weekend and following the appearance of three ex-Youth players in the first team against Stockport, it seems an ideal time to update supporters on our progress this season. Our side in the Hampshire League has had a mixed season, but with the priority on development rather than points, we can be pleased with the progress and experience our young players are gaining. Our League facts and figures are: P 13 : W 6 : D 3 : L 3 : F 49 : A 25 : Pts 15. Leading scorers are Ian Campbell (10), Duncan Peters and Colin Fielder (7), Neale Pritchard (6) and Iain Gosling and Julian Surey (5). A good spread of scoring as 11 players have hit the target.

We have reached the semi-final of the Hampshire Midweek Floodlit Cup and meet Salisbury over two legs on dates to be arranged. We will be striving to achieve a hat trick of cup final appearances having won the trophy and been runners-up in the past two seasons.

In the League Cup we have reached the last eight and have been drawn at home against old rivals Southampton on Sunday, 8th February. After our two League games (which both ended in 2-2 draws) this game promises to be a cracker.

Our side in the west Surrey Boys League is currently in second place on goal difference, and the figures are as follows: P 8 : W 6 : D 1 : L 1 : F 27 : A 13 : Pts 13.

Although out of the County and League Cups, these results are excellent considering the unusual injury problems we have experienced this season.

Three of our young players are at Bournemouth representing Hampshire in the South West Counties Championship: they are Iain Gosling, Clive Holmes and Steve Hodge.

JIM WOOLGAR, Youth Manager.

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Today's Visitors

WIGAN ATHLETIC

Wigan Athletic are in their third season of League football and in the five previous meetings between our two teams there has invariably been a clash of interests for players and spectators alike. We must hope for a sixth of the best.

The Latics' manager, Ian McNeill, has leaned heavily on his strong Scottish connections, and indeed the tartan influence in this part of Lancashire is now a formidable one.

Just to confuse the issue, there are two players with the same surname from North of the Border with Wigan since the arrival of Billy Urquhart from Rangers. He joins George Urquhart who was a player under McNeill with Ross County. Actually George might be recalled here from his days at Guildford where he had a season after coming down from St. Mirren. He is a midfield player, while the unrelated Billy is a striker who began his career in the Highland League with Inverness Caley.

Name confusion does not confine itself to the Urquharts. There are two Merseysiders called Quinn who have no connection either. Tony Quinn was on the books of Everton and Liverpool as well as having a spell with Formby. He is a forward, like Mike Quinn, who began with Tranmere Rovers and also had a period with Derby County before linking up with Wigan for whom he is the leading scorer this season.

But (back to the Scottish flavour) the club's only ever-present is centre-half and captain Colin Methven, who cost a £30,000 fee when secured from East Fife in October 1979.

Signed last term from Cumbernauld United was David McMullan, a midfield player who had his first senior outings towards the end of the season. Three newcomers this time round are Jim Oliver, a forward from Montrose and once with Dundee United, Bobby Hutchinson, a striker with experience at top level for Hibs and Dundee, and Lawrence Tierney, a midfield player who had spells with both senior Edinburgh sides — Hibs and Hearts.

The club has also recruited from further afield. Full-back Steve McAdam, a more recent addition from Barnsley, was formerly of Burnley, but began his career in the Irish League with Portadown.

The fertile Merseyside area is another source of Wigan captures. Midfield player Frank Corrigan is Liverpool-born, and has spells with Walsall, Burton Albion, Bangor City and Northwich Victoria before linking up with Wigan in their non-League days.

Peter Houghton was in Liverpool's successful Schools team which won the English Schools Trophy. Later he played part-time for Prescot Town and South Liverpool and has been the Wigan club's leading marksman in the last two League campaigns.

The player with the most Football League appearances is Jeff Wright who hails from Cumbria and came to Wigan from Netherfield in 1974. He began with Tow Law in the Northern League. A midfield player, he was an outstanding member of Wigan's Cup runs both outside and inside the Football League.

Another recent innovation is Alex Cribley who played in Liverpool's Central League side before coming to Wigan as a central defender, while another member of the middle of the back four is Neil Davids whose League experience has seen him with Leeds United, Norwich, Northampton, Stockport and Swansea.

Goalkeeper John Brown spent more than a decade with Preston North End before moving to Stockport. He also joined Wigan in their non-League days and last season was the club's 'Player of the Year'.

Full-back John Curtis was previously with Blackpool and Blackburn Rovers, goalkeeper Bob Ward was also at Blackpool as well as West Bromwich Albion, while utility defender Dave Fretwell emerged successfully with Bradford City and came to Wigan after a spell in North American soccer with California.

One player born within throwing distance from Springfield Park is Dave Glenn, a 17-year-old local discovery who was introduced earlier this season, while recently on the injured list full-back Brian Kettle is another from Anfield who was introduced into League football by Liverpool.

JACK ROLLIN.

...their Current Form

Sat., Dec. 6th v Scunthorpe Utd (H) (Div. 4)

1-0

Sat., Dec. 13th v Crewe Alex. (A) (Div. 4)

2-1

Fri., Dec. 26th v Crewe Alex. (A) (Div. 4)

0-0

Sat., Dec. 27th v Stockport Co. (A) (Div. 4)

1-0

Sat., Jan. 3rd v Southend Utd (H) (Div. 4)

0-1

Sat., Jan. 10th v York City (A) (Div. 4)

1-2

Visitors Photograph



Back Row (l. to r.): Tony Quinn, Mike Quinn, George McAlister, Lawrence Tierney, Jeff Wright, Paul Hendry, David Tait.
Middle Row (l. to r.): Ian Gillibrand (Coach), George Urquhart, Jim Oliver, Neil Davids, John Brown, Bob Ward, Colin Methven, Peter Houghton, Frank Corrigan, Ken Banks (Trainer/Coach).
Front Row (l. to r.): Maurice Whittle, Mark Wignall, John Curtis, Tommy Gore, Ian McNeill (Manager), Dave McMullan, Bob Hutchinson, David Glenn, Dave Fretwell.

Previous Meetings

Aldershot
v
Wigan Athletic

DIVISION 4

	Home	Away
1978/79	1-0	2-3
1979/80	0-3	1-2
1980/81		0-1

Current League Table 1980-81

As at Thursday, 22nd January 1981

	HOME					AWAY					Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	
Southend	29	15	0	0	34	3	6	2	6	18	44
Lincoln	27	9	5	1	35	9	7	2	3	12	39
Mansfield	29	10	2	2	22	7	6	2	7	15	36
Doncaster	29	10	2	3	23	12	4	4	6	13	34
Peterborough	28	8	4	2	27	13	4	5	5	19	33
Hartlepool	29	9	2	4	27	14	4	5	5	16	33
Aldershot	30	9	6	0	18	2	4	1	10	11	26
Rochdale	29	8	4	3	23	15	2	6	6	18	30
Bradford	28	5	6	2	18	13	4	5	6	17	24
Wimbledon	27	8	3	3	25	11	4	1	8	11	28
Darlington	28	6	3	4	24	15	5	3	7	15	22
Northampton	29	9	1	4	30	16	3	3	9	14	28
Bournemouth	30	7	4	4	16	12	4	2	9	10	21
Tranmere	28	10	1	2	28	10	1	4	10	10	29
Torquay	28	8	1	5	25	16	4	2	8	11	22
Crewe	31	5	5	6	19	19	3	6	6	16	26
York	29	8	2	4	25	11	1	6	8	7	27
Wigan	28	7	4	3	18	10	3	2	9	10	25
Scunthorpe	28	4	7	3	22	18	2	6	6	10	18
Bury	28	7	2	4	23	14	3	2	10	19	24
Stockport	29	4	4	6	16	20	5	2	8	12	20
Port Vale	27	6	4	3	22	12	1	2	11	12	36
Halifax	29	4	3	8	19	24	1	5	8	11	23
Hereford	27	4	6	5	18	13	0	3	9	3	29



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		Opponents																					
Aug 16	Scunthorpe United	A	2-2	1325	5	4	8'	10	2		9'			1	6	7		11	12	12			3
Aug 19	Wimbledon	H	2-0	2922	5	4	8'	10	2		9			1	6	7		11	12				3
Aug 23	Crewe Alexandra	H	2-0	2640	5	4	8'	10	2		9s			1	6	7		11	5				3
Aug 30	Wigan Athletic	A	0-1	4300	5	4	8	10	2		9			1	6	11s	7			5			3
Sept 5	Bury	H	1-0	3100	5	4	8'	10	2		9			1	6	5	7		11s				3
Sept 13	Port Vale	A	1-0	2370	5	4	10	8	2		9			1	6s	11	7			5			3
Sept 17	Lincoln City	A	1-0	4331	5	4	8	10	2		9'			1	6	7		11s	5				3
Sept 20	Mansfield Town	H	1-0	3607	5	4	8	10	2		9s			1	6	5	7		11'				3
Sept 27	Darlington	A	2-1	1933	5s	4	8'	10	2		9'			1	6	7		11	5				3
Sept 30	Lincoln City	H	0-0	4970		4	8	10	2		9'			1	6	7		11	5		12		3
Oct 4	Hartlepool United	A	0-1	2844		4	8	10	2		9			1	6	11	7			5			3
Oct 7	AFC Bournemouth	H	0-0	3780		4	8	10	2	12	9			1	6	7		11	5	12			3
Oct 11	Rochdale	H	0-0	3017		4	8	10	2		9			1	6	7		11	5		12		3
Oct 17	Tranmere Rovers	A	1-3	2312		4	8	10	2		9			1	6'	7		11	5		5		3
Oct 21	Northampton Town	A	0-2	2194		4	8s	10	2		9			1	6	7		11	5		5		3
Oct 25	Doncaster Rovers	H	1-0	2968		4	10	2s	8	9				1	6	7		11'	2		5		3
Oct 28	Torquay United	H	2-1	2892	5	4	10	8'	9'					1	6	7s		11	2		12		3
Nov 1	Bradford City	A	0-1	2279	5	4	10	8	8					1	6	7		11	2	7s		5	3
Nov 4	AFC Bournemouth	A	2-0	3477	6	4	11'	10'	8	9				1		7s	5		2		5		3
Nov 8	Peterborough United	H	0-0	3057	6	4	11	10	8	9				1		7			2		5		3
Nov 11	Wimbledon	A	0-4	2538	6	4	11	10	12	8	9			1		7		12					3
Nov 15	Scunthorpe United	H	0-0	2512	5	4	11	10	2	8	9			1	6	7		11	12		5		3
Nov 29	Stockport County	A	0-1	1918	6	4	8	10	2	9				1	6	12		11'	8'	7	5		3
Dec 6	Halifax Town	H	2-1	2335		4	10	2	9					1				11	8'	5	7	5s	3
Dec 20	York City	A	1-4	1563	6	4	10	2		9				1		5		11	8'	7			3
Dec 26	Hereford United	H	4-0	3094	5	4s	10	2		9				1	6	7		11	8	4	12		3
Dec 27	Southend United	A	0-3	6828	5	4	10	2		9s				1	6	5		11	8	7			3
Jan 3	Northampton Town	H	0-0	2962	5	4	10	2		9s				1	6	5		11	8s	7		5	3
Jan 10	Doncaster Rovers	A	1-3	4502	5	4	10	2						1	6	7	11'		9			12	
Jan 17	Stockport County	H	3-0	2020	5	4	10	2			8'			1	6	7	11'						
Jan 24	Wigan Athletic	H																					
Jan 31	Crewe Alexandra	A																					
Feb 7	Port Vale	H																					
Feb 14	Bury	A																					
Feb 21	Darlington	H																					
Feb 28	Mansfield Town	A																					
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APR 11	Peterborough United	A																					
Apr 18	Southend United	H																					
Apr 20	Hereford United	A																					
Apr 26	York City	H																					
May 2	Halifax Town	A																					

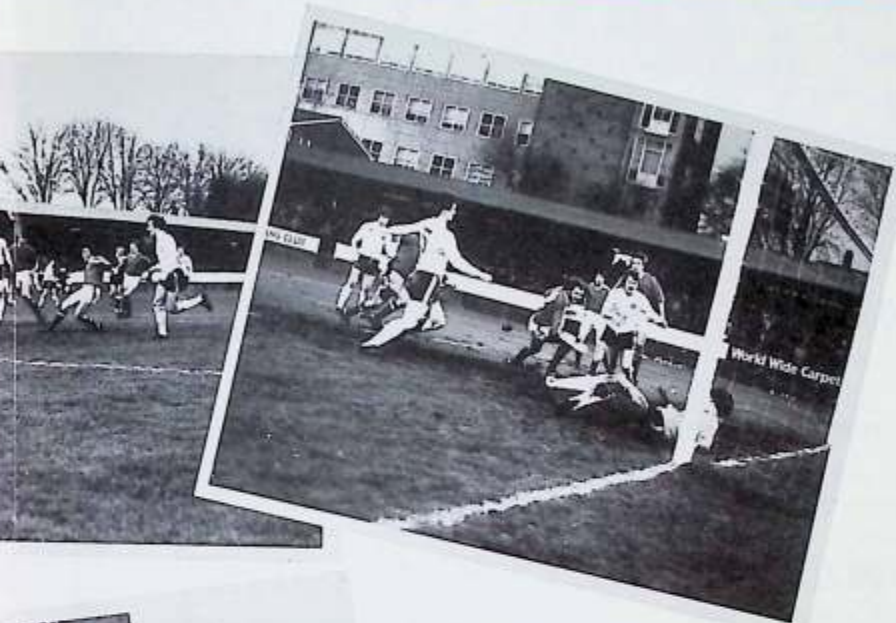
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CUP MATCHES

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Action from
our 3-0 win over
Stockport County last
Saturday, featuring
some of our 'home grown'
talent — especially Paul
Hampshire making his
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Well done, Paul!

**Action
shots**



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Promotions News

Good afternoon to you all — and let's hope we can look forward to another win like the one we had last week against Stockport.

In case you have not yet seen a copy, we do have in the Promotions Office a number of issues of 'Shots News'. Every copy is free and contains an article on Murray Brodie as this is his testimonial year, as well as many action shots from past matches.

We are on the look out once again for part-time canvassers to enlarge the area in which our lottery tickets are sold. So if the idea of promoting Aldershot by selling lottery tickets appeals to you, and you have your own car, then pop in and see us or give us a ring on Aldershot 318280 where we will be pleased to give you more information.

As announced in the programme last week, the draw for the team collection feature from the Supercash Bingo tickets will take place before the Port Vale match on February 7th, and six names will be drawn out to receive £50 each. Whilst we are on the subject of tickets — there will be a new ticket on the Building Fund which will be available in two weeks' time, so come in and see us in a couple of weeks — you could win £1,000!

Finally, we should like to congratulate Paul Hampshire on scoring two goals in his first team debut.

CHRIS WAGSTAFF, *Promotions Manager.*

Player Profile

MARK SANFORD



Full Name: Mark Alexander Sanford

Birthplace: London

Height: 5ft. 11 in. *Weight:* 10 st. 12 lb.

Previous Clubs: None

Date joined Aldershot: 25th June 1979

Married: No

Car: Avenger 1500 GL

Favourite Player: Diego Maradona

Most Memorable Match: Aldershot v Hereford, 26th December, 1980.

Scored all four of Aldershot's goals.

Biggest Disappointment: Losing in debut match v Bournemouth

Likes: Golf, most sports.

Dislikes: Injuries

Favourite TV Show: 'Soap' and 'Fawlty Towers'

Favourite Singer: Michael Jackson

Favourite Actor: Peter Sellers

Favourite Food: Steak, Pasties

Biggest influence on career: Lots of people — mainly parents

Biggest dislike in Football: Losing

Ambitions: To be successful

What I would be if not a footballer: Veterinary surgeon

Person I would most like to meet: Muhammad Ali

News & Views

As mentioned in a previous programme, the Football League are holding an Extraordinary General Meeting of clubs on Monday, 9th February, to discuss changes which it is felt will benefit the game of professional soccer in this country. Whilst many of the major points have already been mentioned, there are one or two other changes being proposed, one of which could take effect immediately if approved by the Meeting, that being that a maximum of six matches will be permitted by the Management Committee of the Football League to be re-arranged from Saturday to either the preceding Friday or the following Sunday.

Approval of this alteration to the Football League regulations could possibly see Sunday football at the Recreation Ground as an experiment on one or two occasions before the end of the current season. The proposal by the Football League that three points would be awarded for a win and one for a draw next season has been followed by a proposal by Leicester City that at the end of each season's competition the club in each Division scoring the largest number of points shall be declared the champion club of that Division and the points being awarded in each match in the following manner. In the first half the side scoring the most goals—2 points; in the second half the side scoring the most goals—2 points; in each half, if each side scores an equal number of goals, or no goals are scored—one point to each side. In the event of the final result of the match being a win for one side or the other, a bonus of two points shall be awarded to that side. Leicester City's view is that the idea of three points for a win is the only advantage to be gained because, by the Football League's proposal, any win would take the three points. Just as 1-0 under the present system gains two points, so would 1-0 also gain maximum points under the League's recommendation, but it would now be three points, and Leicester feel that their proposal would counteract the temptation to score once and then "hang on" at all costs.

On Wednesday, 4th February, the British Armed Forces meet the Belgian Armed Forces in the annual Kentish Cup Competition, to be played at the Military Stadium, Queen's Avenue, Aldershot, kick-off 7.30 p.m. The Kentish Cup is a triangular competition between the British Armed Forces, the Belgian Armed forces, and the French Armed Forces, and as the Armed Forces of Belgium and France still enjoy National Service, their teams normally consist of young professionals from their respective National Soccer Leagues currently undergoing their compulsory tour of duty, and it is not unknown for both sides to have a sprinkling of 'B' Internationals in their make-up. Admission to the game will be by programme (price 20p), the proceeds being in aid of the Services Charities.

The Annual General Meeting of the Aldershot Football Club Limited takes place at The Sportsman's Club on Monday, 2nd February, and should shareholders not have received their copy of the balance sheet would they please contact the Secretary's office?

A reminder that the Committee of the Murray Brodie Testimonial Fund have organised an "All Male" Dinner at The Princes Hall, Aldershot, on Thursday, 19th February, and tickets can be purchased from the Members' Club on match days, from the Football Club offices during normal office hours, or from the Promotions Office at 239 High Street, Aldershot, priced at £10 each. Mr. Lawrie McMenemy, the manager of Southampton Football Club, and Mr. Steve Allatt, an ex-referee, should provide excellent entertainment as after-dinner speakers. The dress of the day is lounge suits, and party bookings are invited for tables not exceeding ten in number, although individuals may, of course, buy tickets.

Last Tuesday the Reserves were at home to Wimbledon in a Midweek League game, and were beaten by the visitors by 2-0.

Ball Donors

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At THE RECREATION GROUND

Tuesday, 27th January

Midweek League Cup 1st Rd.

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Kick-off 7.30 p.m.

Saturday, 7th February

Football League Div. 4

PORT VALE

Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

At ELM PARK, READING

Saturday, 31st January

Football League Div. 3

BRENTFORD

Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

Shots Flashback

6 Years Ago

LEAGUE - DIVISION 3

25 January 1975 Aldershot 2: Crystal Pal. 1

Aldershot reserved their best performance of the season for Malcolm Allison's Crystal Palace. It was the Shots who dictated play from the start showing a smooth cohesion in their build-up. Crosby scored a neat goal after 3 minutes but it was disallowed for offside. After 25 minutes Aldershot scored the first goal, Crosby intercepting a casual square pass by Mulligan, beating two defenders before slipping the ball to Terry Bell who took his chance well from 10 yards.

Morrissey was unfairly challenged by Jeffries in the area and the referee pointed to the spot despite angry protests by the Palace players. Len Walker made no mistake with a low shot to the left of the keeper (75 mins.).

Palace came back with Jeff Johnson scoring from an Alan Whittle pass (79 mins.). A minute later Whittle missed a golden chance. He outpaced the Shots defence, rounded Johnson, only to shoot into the side netting.

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Today's Line-Up

ALDERSHOT

Colours: Red and White

1. Glen JOHNSON
2. Nigel EDWARDS
3. Alan WOOLER
4. Les BRILEY
5. Paul BENNETT
6. Joe JOPLING
7. Brian LUCAS
8. Paul HAMPSHIRE
9. Mark SANFORD
10. Malcolm CROSBY
11. Alex MCGREGOR
- 12.

Manager: Tom McAnearney

WIGAN ATHLETIC

Colours: Blue and White

1. Bob WARD
2. Dave FRETWELL
3. Steve McADAM
4. George URQUHART
5. Colin METHVEN
6. Alex CRIBLEY
7. Dave McMILLAN
8. Tony QUINN
9. Peter HOUGHTON
10. Bobby HUTCHINSON
11. Jeff WRIGHT
- 12.

Manager: Ian McNeill

Score with the

Bournemouth v Torquay Utd	A	
Darlington v Bury	L	
Doncaster R v Hartlepool	D	
Halifax T v Stockport Co	E	
Lincoln C v Crewe Alex	R	
Mansfield Tn v Port Vale	S	
Rochdale v Tranmere Rov	H	
York City v Hereford Utd	O	
Barnsley v Enfield	T	
Fulham v Charlton Athletic		
Everton v Liverpool	N	
Man. City v Norwich City	E	
Nottghm For v Man. Utd.	W	
Notts Cty v Peterborough	S	
Tottenham H v Hull City		
Shrewsbury Tn v Ipswich Tn	L	
Southampton v Bristol Rov	T	
Wrexham v Wimbledon	D	

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I'm in Charge

Referee:

C. A. MASKELL (Cambridge)

Linesmen:

D. G. KING (Brighton)

RED FLAG

K. R. TILLEY (Salisbury)

YELLOW FLAG

CLIFFORD MASKELL started refereeing in London in 1961, then through the Football Combination and was promoted to the Football League list in 1972. Was linesman for the European Cup (Dynamo Kiev v Belgrade Partisan) in Russia in 1976. Refereed the F.A. Vase Semi-final in 1976 and 1978. Also lines an Egyptian match in Cairo in 1980.

A married man, with two children, he is a regional sales manager. Likes to play tennis and golf, also swimming. Before refereeing he played soccer for two senior amateur London clubs, and representative soccer for the R.A.F.